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**DISTRICT FOUR**

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## Feeding the Hungry in District 4

### Let's eliminate hunger in our community.

My wife Jacque and I are working with local faith-based groups, nonprofit organizations and the business community to help needy residents in District 4 put food on their tables. We recently announced the expansion of the San Diego Food Bank's **"Food 4 Kids Backpack Program"** to three schools in our neighborhoods. In these challenging economic times, more and more families are struggling to make ends meet. Almost every school in San Diego has kids who are chronically hungry, and it breaks our heart that some kids who receive breakfast and lunch at school might go hungry over the weekend. The vital program provides backpacks filled with nutritious food on Fridays for students to take home for the weekend. The program costs \$200 per student for one school year, and thanks to generous contributions from area businesses and individuals, more than \$15,000 has been raised to provide weekend backpacks to 75 students at Chollas-Mead and two other elementary schools in southeastern San Diego. If you or someone you know would like to contribute to the *Food 4 Kids Backpack Program*, or if you are in need of food assistance, call my office at: (619) 236-6644.

We'll help you find the nearest food pantries and meal distribution sites in your neighborhood.

## RECENT COUNCIL ACTIONS:

On Tuesday, Oct. 11, the San Diego City Council unanimously voted to move forward with bidding of a \$4 million construction contract to rehabilitate 5.5 miles of existing sewer mains in Encanto and other District 4 communities. This paves the way for the next phase of the city's ongoing efforts to repair and upgrade the sewer and water systems in southeastern neighborhoods and communities throughout San Diego.

On Tuesday, Oct. 11, the City Council approved the appointment of Carlos Vasquez and reappointments of Richard Geisler and Vernon Evans to the board of directors of Southeastern Economic Development Corporation. (SEDC). We'd like to welcome these board members and look forward to SEDC's continued leadership in a number of bricks and mortar projects that will bring sustained economic growth and employment opportunities to our community.

On Tuesday, Oct. 11, the City Council proclaimed it "Walk and Bike to School Day" in San Diego.

SANDAG and Rady Children's Hospital were lauded for the Safe Routes to School education program that promotes daily exercise and more environmentally friendly



modes of travel to school. Kids and adults at Chollas-Mead and other area schools took part in events.





Great volunteer turn out for the Oct. 8 Chollas View community clean up. Later that day, Council President Young joined community leaders and law enforcement officials for the 1st Annual Southeastern X-Fest held at Charles Lewis III Skate Park in Paradise Hills.

## **YOU MAY WANT TO KNOW:**

### ***MULTICULTURAL CELEBRATION***

**The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Arts & Cultural Fest will be held Saturday, Oct. 15 from noon to 6 p.m. at Market Creek Plaza, 310 Euclid Ave.** Planned by a team of multicultural residents living in the Diamond Neighborhoods of southeastern San Diego, the free festival will feature three stages of live entertainment, international market and food, cultural workshops, kids zone, beer garden and art contests for youth and adults alike. To get involved, please call: (619) 527-6161. For information about the community event, visit the website: [artsandculturefest.com](http://artsandculturefest.com).

### ***CPR SATURDAY***

**Mark your calendar for CPR Saturday on Nov. 5 from 9 – 11 a.m. and plan to join me and Councilmember Marti Emerald and Rural Metro San Diego medical assistant team for free CPR training right here in our district.** Two CPR sessions are available starting promptly at 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. at the Joe & Vi Jacobs Center, 404 Euclid Ave. For more information, please contact D4's Victor Brown at: (619) 236-7180, or email: [victorb@sanidiego.gov](mailto:victorb@sanidiego.gov).

### ***FALL YOUTH SPORTS***

**Jackie Robinson Family YMCA is still accepting individual and team registrations for basketball and other fall youth sports.** For more information stop by our local Y at 151 YMCA Way, or call Program Director Jesse Campos at: (760) 717-4498.

### ***WALK IN THE PARK***

**The next walking tour by proponents of the proposed Plaza de Panama Project in Balboa Park will be held Saturday, Oct. 15 at 10:30 a.m.** The project committee proposes building a by-pass ramp off the historic Cabrillo Bridge and constructing a new parking structure behind the world-renown organ pavilion. The goal of the controversial plan is to remove cars from the heart of Balboa Park and return its plazas and promenades back to pedestrian use. For more information, call: (619) 682-3841.

### ***FREEDOM FUND DINNER***

**Save the date for the NAACP of San Diego's Freedom Fund Dinner on Saturday, Oct. 15 from 6 to 10 p.m.** at the Holiday Inn Embarcadero, 1355 North Harbor Drive. Register today by calling: (619) 263-7823, or online: [sandiegonaacp.org](http://sandiegonaacp.org).



### ***SUPPORTING SOMALI FAMILIES***

**The Somali Family Service of San Diego is hosting its first-ever fundraising event “OceanLeaf Awards Celebration” on Wed., Oct. 19 from 6 to 8:45 p.m. at the Jacobs Center at Market Creek Plaza.** The dinner event will honor six outstanding individuals and organizations that have advanced opportunities for African immigrants and refugees. Tickets are \$75 each. For information, call the Somali Family Service of San Diego at: (619) 265-5821.

### ***STAYING HEALTHY***

**Family Health Center of San Diego will host a Health & Resource Fair on Saturday, Oct. 22 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at St. Rita Parish, 5115 Churchward.** Free health screenings, education programs and activities will be available to the community. For information, call: (619) 264-3165.

### ***UNDERGROUND QUILTS***

**Visit the Jacobs Center Community & Cultural Arts exhibition on “Quilting and the Underground Railroad” on Tuesday, Oct. 25 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. to hear an inspired presentation by Professors Chuck Ambers and Starla Lewis.** Docent tours by members of the Mengei International Museum also are available to help visitors learn more about the quilts as well as the Corrine Riley Collection and traditional African American quilting. For more information, call: (619) 527-6161.

### ***EQUAL OPPORTUNITY DAY***

**The Urban League of San Diego County presents the 2011 Equal Opportunity Day Diversity Summit and Awards Luncheon on Thursday, Oct. 27 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.** at 4<sup>th</sup> District's Joe & Vi Jacobs Center at Market Creek Plaza. The Summit will discuss current socioeconomic trends effecting growth and prosperity in the San Diego region and address ways for empowering communities and changing lives. For information, please call: (619) 263-3115 or online: [sdul.org](http://sdul.org).

### ***GREEN STREETS CELEBRATION***

**Join me and Move San Diego in honoring long-time civic leader and MTS Chairman Harry Mathis at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Green Streets Celebration on Thursday, Oct. 27 from 3 to 6 p.m. at the Port Pavilion on Broadway Pier.** The free Green Streets EXO will showcase the latest and most innovative clean transportation options for our greater San Diego community. For more information, call Move San Diego at: (619) 702-4266 or go online to: [movesandiego.org](http://movesandiego.org).

### ***ANNIE IS BACK ON STAGE***

**In celebration of the upcoming Broadway revival, the San Diego Junior Theatre kicks off its 64<sup>th</sup> season in Balboa Park with “Annie” opening Friday, Oct. 28 and running through Nov. 13.** Ruby Ross, a wonderfully talented young actor from our community, has been cast in the local production. Performances are at 7 p.m. on Fridays, and at 2 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Tickets are \$8-\$14 and can be purchased by calling the San Diego Junior Theatre's box office at (619) 239-8355 or by visiting the website: [juniortheatre.com](http://juniortheatre.com).



### ***POWERFUL POETRY***

**Theatre lovers won't want to miss Dr. Dorothy Smith's dramatic renditions of the poetry of Paul Laurence Dunbar, our first African American professional poet, on Sunday, Oct. 30 at 3 p.m.** Christ United Presbyterian Church, 3025 Fir Ave. Admission is free but seating is limited. To RSVP call: (619) 255-2318.

### ***TAKING CENTER STAGE***

**Community Actors Theatre proudly presents Athol Fugard's award-winning drama "Master and The Boys" running through Oct. 30 at 2957 54<sup>th</sup> Street.** Show times are 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and 3 p.m. on Sundays. Tickets are \$14 for the general public and \$12 for seniors, students, military and disabled. For more information, please call: (619) 264-3391 or log onto the CTA website at: [communityactorstheatre.com](http://communityactorstheatre.com)

### ***125<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY BASH***

**Christian Fellowship Congregational Church of San Diego is hosting a 125<sup>th</sup> birthday party and everyone is invited to attend festivities Nov. 4 to 6** at 1601 Kelton Road. For more information about the weekend activities or to be part of the commemorative souvenir program, call Inez Thomas at: (619) 582-8336 or online: [christianfellowshipcc.org](http://christianfellowshipcc.org).

### ***EVENING OF CHAMPIONS***

**An Evening of Champions featuring a concert by acclaimed recording artists and special appearances by NFL players will be held Saturday, Nov. 12 at 6 p.m. at the Hall of Champions in Balboa Park .** Tickets for the dinner and concert are \$100 with all proceeds benefitting Larry English Foundation and American Lung Association. More information online: [eveningofchampions.com](http://eveningofchampions.com).

### ***SENIOR CRAFT SALE***

**The City of San Diego Park and Recreation Department's Senior Citizen Services is hosting a Fall Craft Sale on Nov. 19 and 20** from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Casa del Prado in Balboa Park. Admission is free to the public and senior crafters (50 years and older) can display and sell their homemade crafts for a table fee of \$15 - \$25. For information, call: (619) 236-6905.

### ***LEGAL SUPPORT FOR SMALL BUSINESS***

**The Small Business Law Center (SBLC) is now accepting small business and non-profit clients seeking legal assistance that don't have the means to hire an attorney to advise them.** Thomas Jefferson School of Law students work under the direct supervision of California licensed attorneys to provide legal assistance to community entrepreneurs, small businesses and non profits in such areas as: contract review and negotiation; copyright and trademark registrations; permitting and licensing; and copyright and trademark registrations. To determine if you are eligible for assistance, or want to be a referral source, please contact SBLC at: (619) 961-4382 or download the request for service forms at online: [tjssl.edu/clinics](http://tjssl.edu/clinics).



### ***FRIDAY FARMERS MARKET***

**The People's Produce Farmers Market is open every Friday from 3 to 7 p.m. at 606 Euclid Ave. in Chollas View.** Local farmers offer a bounty of fresh produce, local artisans display handmade crafts, and gardening/growing enthusiasts gather to share tips and resources. For more information or to learn about classes and booth opportunities, call: (619) 262-2022 or online visit: [projectnewvillage.org](http://projectnewvillage.org).

### ***WILDFIRE HAZARD***

**Just a reminder that this is the peak of the wildfire season in San Diego County.**

Protect your home or small business by removing volatile vegetation and brush debris in your neighborhood. Safety tips are available at the Fire Marshal's hotline at: (619) 533-4444. For brush abatement assistance in your District 4 neighborhood, call Roosevelt Williams III at: (619) 236-6644.

## **COMMUNITY MEETINGS:**

Meeting Date	Community Meeting (District 4 Staff)	Meeting Time	Meeting Location
Thursday October 13	Valencia Park Town Council/O'Farrell Park Town Council (Bruce Williams)	6:30 p.m.	Valencia Park Elementary 5880 Skyline Drive
Thursday October 13	Rolando Park Community Council (Jill Esterbrooks)	7:00 p.m.	Rolando Park Elementary 6620 Marlow Drive
Monday October 17	Encanto Neighborhood Community Planning Group (Bruce Williams)	6:30 p.m.	Tubman/Chavez Center 415 Euclid Avenue
Tuesday October 18	Webster Community Council (Roosevelt Williams III)	7:00 p.m.	Webster Elementary School 4801 Elm Street
Wednesday October 19	Mountain View Community Meeting (Diana Juardo-Sainz)	6:00 p.m.	Mt. View Park & Rec Center 641 S. Boundary Street
Wednesday October 19	Paradise Hills Village Council (Liezl Mangonon)	6:30 p.m.	St. Timothy Church 2106 Reo Drive
Thursday October 20	Martin Luther King Rec Council (Roosevelt Williams III)	Noon	MLK Recreation Center 6401 Skyline Drive
Thursday October 20	Lomita Village Town Council (Venus Molina)	6:00 p.m.	Skyline Park & Rec Center 8285 Skyline Drive

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